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SUBJECT: INTELSAT - PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC)

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1. EMBOFF SEPT. 9 REVIEWED QUESTION OF PRC REPRESENTATION

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IN INTELSAT WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REP

FERRARI (ENERGY AND SPACE OFFICE), UNDERLINING USG
UNCERTAINTY RE PRC INTENTIONS TOWARDS REPUBLIC OF CHINA
(ROC) MAINTAINING ACCESS AND CONDITIONING EFFECT PRC
ACTIONS WOULD HAVE ON EVENTUAL FORMULATION OF USG
POLICY AND TACTICS. FERRARI INDICATED THAT GOI
CONSULTATIONS WITH EC PARTNERS HAD INDICATED (A) GENERALIZED
ACCEPTANCE OF PRC RIGHT TO SIT ON INTELSAT GOVERNMENT-
LEVEL BODIES, (B) DESIRE THAT ROC MAINTAIN RIGHT TO
UTILIZE INTELSAT SYSTEM, (C) UNCERTAINTY RE PRC
INTENTIONS TOWARDS ROC ACCESS, AND (D) HOPE THAT ROC
WOULD WITHDRAW RATHER THAN PROVOKE BITTER STRUGGLE
WHICH WOULD PROBABLY RESULT IN ACRIMONIOUS EXPULSION.

2. PRC HAD NOT RPT NOT, ACCORDING TO FERRARI, APPROACHED
MFA TO EXPLAIN ITS POSITION. HE DID NOT RPT NOT EXCLUDE
POSSIBILITY OF PRC APPROACHES TO OTHER GOI MINISTRIES
(NOTE: PRC MAY HAVE APPROACHED MINISTRY OF POST AND
TELECOMMUNICATIONS OR ITALIAN REP TO INTELSAT BOARD OF
GOVERNORS. END NOTE). FERRARI WAS UNABLE TO CONTRIBUTE INFORMATION
RE CONTENT OF PAKISTANI RESOLUTION.

3. GOI POLICY WILL BE ACCORDING TO FERRARI, STRONGLY
CONDITIONED BY THAT OF ITS EC PARTNERS; NEVERTHELESS,
FERRARI EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EMBASSY WOULD CONTINUE TO
MAINTAIN CONTACT ON QUESTION OF PRC REPRESENTATION. HE
CHARACTERIZED THIS AS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT SINCE
GOI WILL BE REPRESENTED BY ITS AMBASSADOR TO KENYA
MACCAFERRI, WHO WILL NEED INSTRUCTIONS FROM ROME AS
DETAILED AS POSSIBLE. BEAUDRY

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